

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Kindly amend Paragraph 26, beginning at page 12, as set forth below:

[0026] The controller 120 of the power converter receives a desired characteristic such as a desired system voltage  $V_{system}$  from an internal or external source associated with the microprocessor, and the output voltage  $V_{out}$  of the power converter. In accordance with the aforementioned characteristics, the controller 120 provides a signal (e.g., a pulse width modulated signal  $S_{PWM}$ ) to control a duty cycle and a frequency of the main and auxiliary switches  $Q_{mn}$ ,  $Q_{aux}$  of the power train 110 to regulate the output voltage  $V_{out}$  thereof. Any controller adapted to control at least one switch of the power converter is well within the broad scope of the present invention. As an example, a controller employing digital circuitry is disclosed in U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0169024 Serial No. [Attorney Docket No. ENP-001], entitled "Controller for a Power Converter and a Method of Controlling a Switch Thereof," to Dwarakanath, *et al.* and U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0168205 Serial No. [Attorney Docket No. ENP-002], entitled "Controller for a Power Converter and Method of Controlling a Switch Thereof," to Dwarakanath, *et al.*, which are incorporated herein by reference.

Kindly amend Paragraph 27, on page 13, as set forth below:

[0027] The power converter also includes the driver 130 configured to provide drive signals S<sub>DRV1</sub>, S<sub>DRV2</sub> to the main and auxiliary switches Q<sub>mn</sub>, Q<sub>aux</sub>, respectively, based on the signal S<sub>PWM</sub> provided by the controller 120. There are a number of viable alternatives to implement a driver 130 that include techniques to provide sufficient signal delays to prevent crosscurrents when controlling multiple switches in the power converter. The driver 130 typically includes switching circuitry incorporating a plurality of driver switches that cooperate to provide the drive signals S<sub>DRV1</sub>, S<sub>DRV2</sub> to the main and auxiliary switches Q<sub>mn</sub>, Q<sub>aux</sub>. Of course, any driver 130 capable of providing the drive signals S<sub>DRV1</sub>, S<sub>DRV2</sub> to control a switch is well within the broad scope of the present invention. Additionally, an embodiment of a driver is disclosed in U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0168203 Serial No. [Attorney Docket No. ENP-003], entitled "Driver for a Power Converter and Method of Driving a Switch Thereof," to Dwarakanath, *et al.*, which is incorporated herein by reference.